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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new claims 32 to 35 as follows:

-- 32. An electronic/photonic/optoelectronic device comprising a porous silicon structure made by the process defined in claim 1. --

-- 33. An electronic/photonic/optoelectronic device comprising a porous silicon structure made by the process defined in claim 20. --

-- 34. A device comprising a porous silicon structure made by the process defined in claim 1 for the detection of DNA or proteins for genomics and proteomics applications. --

-- 35. A device comprising a porous silicon structure made by the process defined in claim 20 for the detection of DNA or proteins for genomics and proteomics applications. --

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for use in
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